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1. AS OF [redacted] 8 AUGUST IN GUATEMALA CITY TROOPS WERE TAKING UP STRATEGIC POSITIONS AROUND THE CITY INCLUDING THE ROOFS OF THE BUILDINGS ADJOINING PRESIDENTIAL PALACE, AND THE ROOFS OF THE NATIONAL TELEPHONE COMPANY. TRAFFIC WAS BEING DIVERTED FROM THESE KEY LOCATIONS BY TROOPS IN JEEPS ARMED WITH HEAVY MACHINE GUNS. A-37 AIRCRAFT OF THE AIR FORCE WERE MAKING PASSES OVER THE CITY. BUT AS OF THAT TIME NO SHOTS WERE BEING FIRED.

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